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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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Invention 1: Claims 1-22 (partially)

A method of producing a synthetic protein comprising an amino acid sequence that is at least 80% identical to at least 46 contiguous amino acids of a naturally occurring antigenic protein of a pathogen or tumor, comprising the steps of synthesizing two or more fragments and ligating the fragments,
wherein the synthetic protein is at least 80% identical to 46 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO.1

Inventions 2-6: Claims 1-22 (partially)

As Invention 1, with SEQ ID NOs. 2-6, respectively.

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